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In re Application of

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For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL FOR LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY,  
NEGATIVE ELECTRODE USING THE MATERIAL, LITHIUM SECONDARY  
BATTERY USING THE NEGATIVE ELECTRODE, AND MANUFACTURING  
METHOD OF NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including 31 pages of Substitute Specification, 32 pages of Marked-up Specification, and one sheet each of Annotated Drawing and Replacement Drawing is attached following page 8 of this paper.